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## **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

### **National Highway Traffic Safety Administration**

**[U.S. DOT Docket No. NHTSA–2012–0169]**

### **Reports, Forms, and Recordkeeping Requirements: Agency Information Collection Activity Under OMB Review**

**AGENCY:** National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice; Correction

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.), this notice announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) abstracted below has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The ICR describes the nature of the information collections and their expected burden. The Federal Register Notice with a 60-day comment period was published on December 11, 2012 [FR Doc. 2012-29844, Vol. 77, No. 238, Pages 73736-73737].

**Dates:** Comments must be submitted on or before **(INSERT 30 DAYS FROM PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER)**

### **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

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### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

**Title:** Tire Pressure Monitoring Systems Special Studies

**OMB Number:** 2174 Renewal

**Type of Request:** Request for public comment on proposed collection of information.

**Abstract:** Improperly inflated tires pose a safety risk, increasing the chance of skidding, hydroplaning, longer stopping distances, and crashes due to flat tires and blowouts. In an effort to decrease the number of vehicles with improperly inflated tires, Tire Pressure Monitoring Systems (TPMS) were mandated in Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) No. 138, so that drivers are warned when the pressure in one or more of the vehicle's tires has fallen to 25 percent or more below the placard pressure, or a minimum level specified in the standard, whichever pressure is higher. Executive Order 12866 requires Federal agencies to evaluate their existing regulations and programs and measure their effectiveness in achieving their objectives. This survey (Tire Pressure Monitoring Systems Special Study) was conducted in order to evaluate whether the frequency of underinflated tires has decreased in vehicles with TPMS in comparison to vehicles of the same age without TPMS. Survey results led the agency to the determination that additional study is needed in regards to analogous aspects of medium- and heavy-duty (MD/HD) trucks. The supplementary study of MD/HD trucks is not expected to begin until 2014; therefore, NHTSA seeks an extension of *Tire Pressure Monitoring Systems Special Studies* in preparation for this additional work.

**Affected Public:** Individuals

**Estimated Total Annual Burden:** 1,925 hours

**ADDRESS:** Send comments, within 30 days, to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725-17<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, Washington, DC 20503, Attention NHTSA Desk Officer.

**Comments are invited on:** Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Department, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the Department's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents,

including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

A comment to OMB is most effective if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication.

**Authority:** 44 U.S.C. Section 3506(c)(2)(A).

**James F. Simons**, *Director, Office of Regulatory Analysis and Evaluation.*

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